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ATTENTION: MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For: **HARD TIP OVER-THE-NEEDLE INTRAVENOUS CATHETER**

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- (X) One (1) sheets of drawing.
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- (X) This application is a Continuation of prior application 09/524,039 filed March 13, 2000.
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- (X) Incorporation by Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

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